

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 5903

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served June 7, 2000

Application of HALL "N" ALL COMPANY)
INC. for a Certificate of Authority)
-- Irregular Route Operations)

Case No. AP-2000-33

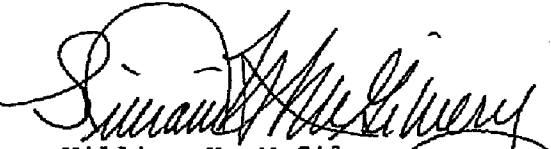
Applicant seeks a certificate of authority to transport passengers in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver. The application is unopposed.

The Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 7(a), authorizes the Commission to issue a certificate of authority if it finds that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest and that the applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly, conform to the provisions of the Compact, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission. If an applicant does not make the required showing, the application must be denied under Section 7(b).

An applicant must demonstrate financial fitness by showing the present ability to sustain operations for one year.¹ According to applicant's balance sheet, applicant's only asset is \$5,000 in cash. Applicant has no prepaid insurance and no revenue vehicle. We think it unlikely that applicant can acquire insurance and a revenue vehicle, cover remaining startup costs and establish an adequate reserve for contingencies with only \$5,000.² Consequently, we find that applicant has failed to demonstrate financial fitness.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the application of Hall "N" All Company Inc. for a certificate of authority, irregular route operations, is hereby denied without prejudice.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS ALEXANDER, LIGON, AND MILLER:


William H. McGilvery
Executive Director

¹ In re Frantz Jean-Jacques, t/a Red Carpet Transp. Servs., No. AP-97-01, Order No. 5264 (Jan. 28, 1998).

² See In re Salwa Seedahmed, ta/ Control Transp., No. AP-98-23, Order No. 5434 (Oct. 19, 1998) (finding of financial fitness not sustainable where carrier had no vehicle and only \$3,000 in working capital after deducting cost of insurance.